the provisions of this Act do not cover this case. Therefore, I do not think that there is any necessity at present to bring forward an amendment to that Act.''

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—'' While I appreciate the invitation of the Hon. the Leader of the House to hon. Members to co-operate with the Police by giving the necessary information, I would like to point out that there was an admission in his answer that the Police officials were harassing the Member. Will the hon. Member be again subjected to such harassment? ''

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—'' If asking for information is harassment, I submit that I have admitted it. I only suggested that the hon. Member could have given all the information in his possession so that the Police might look after other cases instead of making a fresh investigation into the matter.''

Maternity hospitals and centres in the City.

* 1153 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of women admitted into the Government maternity hospitals in the City of Madras and the number of women admitted in the maternity hospitals run by the Corporation of Madras;

(*b*) the amount of Government subsidy given to the Corporation of Madras for running the Corporation maternity centres; and

(*c*) whether the Government have appointed any Health Sisters in the City?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' (*a*) No hospital for the exclusive treatment for maternity cases is maintained in the City either by the Government or by the Corporation.

'' (*b*) Nil.

'' (*c*) No, Sir.''

SRI A. RATNAM :—'' What are the maternity centres maintained by missionaries and private parties and what is the extent of Government aid given to them? ''

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' A separate question may be given notice of.''

Removal of silt from the Chemnad stream in Kasaragod taluk, South Kanara.

* 1154 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether the investigation regarding the silting of the Chemnad stream in Kasaragod taluk, South Kanara district, is over and if so, when the silt in the stream will be removed?